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**TENTATIVE COMMITTEE ROADMAP**  
**(73 proposals)**

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE – GROUP 1: DISTRICT BOUNDARIES, GEAR, MARKERS**

**(18 proposals: Chair – Jensen)**

*Alaska Peninsula Area/Bristol Bay Area Boundary (3 proposals): 22 – 24 This set of proposals will be heard at the Bristol Bay Finfish meeting, and heard and deliberated on at the Alaska Peninsula/Chignik/Aleutian Islands Finfish meeting.*

Proposal Number

- 22 Move the Cinder River, Inner Port Heiden, and Outer Port Heiden sections of the Northern District from the Alaska Peninsula Area to the Bristol Bay Area.
- 23 Move the Cinder River, Inner Port Heiden, and Outer Port Heiden sections of the Northern District from the Alaska Peninsula Area to the Bristol Bay Area.
- 24 Move all waters of the Northern District east of the latitude of Cape Seniavin from the Alaska Peninsula Area to the Bristol Bay Area.

***District Boundaries/Gear (7 proposals): 25 – 29, 219, 220 – 221***

- 25 Expand district boundary lines.
- 26 Create new general fishing sections that are in effect following achievement of escapement goals, or July 17, until July 27.
- 27 Require that a CFEC permit holder's name displayed on a set gillnet site marking sign complies with the same character size marking requirements for permit numbers. *(This proposal will be heard at the Bristol Bay Finfish meeting, and heard and deliberated on at the Statewide Finfish meeting.)*
- 28 Change the character size requirements for set gillnet marking signs. *(This proposal will be heard at the Bristol Bay Finfish meeting, and heard and deliberated on at the Statewide Finfish meeting.)*
- 29 Allow a set gillnet permit holder to operate and deploy gillnet gear seaward of the permit holder's own set gillnet, and within the permit holder's setnet site.



- 220 Prohibit net barges, floating processors, tenders, and hard fixed buoys in waters of the Egegik District during open drift gillnet fishing periods.
- 221 Prohibit tenders, fish buyers, and fish transport vessels from anchoring within 1,500 feet of set gillnet sites.

***Replace Reference to Markers with GPS Coordinates (8 proposals): 30, 71 – 74, 76, 80, 91***

- 30 Change the description of set gillnet exemptions that allow operations where beaches at mean low tide are not connected to either exposed land or land not covered at high tide, by deleting references to regulatory markers.
- 71 Update the description of the Wood River Special Harvest Area by deleting references to regulatory markers.
- 72 Change the description of statistical areas in the Nushagak District by deleting references to department regulatory markers, and renaming the Nushagak Statistical Area.
- 73 Redefine the description of the Nushagak District and the Igushik Section in the Nushagak District by deleting references to department regulatory markers.
- 74 Redefine the description of closed waters for salmon in the Snake River in the Nushagak District by deleting a reference to department regulatory markers.
- 76 Change the current description of the Osviak Section in the Togiak District by correcting a GPS coordinate in the description.
- 80 Re-describe the subsistence fishing area in the Nushagak District that is restricted to three days per week by removing references to regulatory markers.
- 91 Redefine the description of closed waters for the Togiak herring fishery by deleting references to department regulatory markers.

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - GROUP 2: REGISTRATION, PERMIT STACKING**  
**(23 PROPOSALS: Chair – Morisky)**

***Registration (14 proposals): 31 – 44***

Proposal Number

- 31 Change the area registration requirements to require district registration prior to fishing in a district in Bristol Bay.
- 32 Change the area registration date requirement for the Bristol Bay commercial salmon fishery.
- 33 Change the area registration date requirement for the Bristol Bay commercial salmon fishery.
- 34 Reduce the required waiting period when registering for a new district from 48 hours to 12 hours.
- 35 Require drift gillnet operations to register the day of fishing during emergency order periods.



- 36 Change the registration requirement for commercial salmon fishing in the Egegik District.
- 37 Change the area registration date requirement from June 25 to June 1 for the Naknek-Kvichak, Egegik, and Ugashik districts for the drift gillnet fleet.
- 38 Change registration requirements for fisheries under emergency order conditions and change the registration date for the Naknek-Kvichak, Egegik, and Ugashik districts from June 25 to June 18.
- 39 For the Naknek-Kvichak District, eliminate the registration date of June 25, and require registration only before fishing in the district.
- 40 Change the drift gillnet registration date in the Naknek-Kvichak District from June 25 to June 17.
- 41 Change the area registration requirement for the Naknek-Kvichak, Egegik, and Ugashik districts by removing the June 25 start date.
- 42 Allow set gillnet operators to transfer within the Nushagak statistical areas without the 48-hour time requirement.
- 43 Repeal set gillnet reregistration requirement for statistical areas within the Nushagak District.
- 44 Modify Togiak District registration restriction requirements that apply until July 27 to include a fishing vessel.

***Permit Stacking (9 proposals): 45 – 53***

- 45 Reauthorize Bristol Bay set gillnet permit stacking.
- 46 Allow permit stacking for set gillnet operations.
- 47 Allow permit stacking for set gillnet operations and up to one and one-half the current legal limit of gear for one permit to be operated when permit stacking.
- 48 Allow permit stacking for set gillnet operations in the Bristol Bay Area.
- 49 Allow two set gillnet permit holders to jointly operate with up to 75 fathoms of set gillnet gear and require both permit numbers on identification sign.
- 50 Allow permit stacking for set gillnet operations in the Egegik District.
- 51 Allow drift gillnet permit stacking for an individual who owns two drift gillnet permits in Bristol Bay.
- 52 Allow drift gillnet permit stacking for an individual who owns two drift gillnet permits in Bristol Bay and the operation of 200 fathoms of drift gillnet gear from a vessel with an individual holding two drift gillnet permits.
- 53 Increase the amount of drift gillnet gear allowed when two permit holders are jointly operating.

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - GROUP 3: COMMERCIAL SALMON MANAGEMENT PLANS AND DISTRICT-SPECIFIC PROVISIONS**



**(20 PROPOSALS: Chair – Johnson)**

***Egegik/Ugashik (2 proposals): 54 – 55***

Proposal Number

- 54 Close by the Egegik District Special Harvest Area to commercial salmon fishing for five days during times of high intercept fishing.
- 55 Modify set gillnet operations in the Ugashik District.

***Naknek/Kvichak (5 proposals): 56 – 60***

- 56 Create an inriver Alagnak River Salmon Fishery Management Plan.
- 57 Create an inriver Kvichak River Salmon Fishery Management Plan.
- 58 Expand the boundaries of the Naknek Section of the Naknek-Kvichak District.
- 59 Revise boundaries of closed waters at Graveyard Point in the Naknek-Kvichak District.
- 60 Create a special harvest area in the Graveyard Creek area.

***Nushagak (11 proposals): 61 – 67, 219, 68 – 70***

- 61 Increase the minimum distance drift gillnet operations must maintain from a set gillnet operation in the Nushagak District.
- 62 Increase the minimum distance drift gillnet operations must maintain from a set gillnet operation in the Nushagak District.
- 63 Change the seaward minimum distance between set gillnet gear in the Clark's Point area in the Nushagak District.
- 64 Increase fishing time for drift gillnet gear during incoming tides in the Nushagak District.
- 65 In the Nushagak District repeal emergency order authority to limit gillnet mesh to not exceed four and three-quarters inches.
- 66 Amend the Nushagak River Coho Salmon Management Plan to establish a fixed escapement goal, change the fishery start date, and repeal language pertaining to pink salmon escapement.
- 67 Change the Nushagak River Coho Salmon Management Plan to reflect changes in escapement goals that have previously been implemented.
- 219 Address allocation impacts that may come from potential changes in escapement goals and trigger points in the Nushagak River Coho Salmon Management Plan.
- 68 Repeal Wood River Sockeye Salmon Special Harvest Area Management Plan.
- 69 Amend the Wood River Sockeye Salmon Special Harvest Area Management Plan to eliminate management based on Nushagak District drift and set gillnet gear allocations.
- 70 Modify the Wood River Sockeye Salmon Special Harvest Area Management Plan to open separate drift and set gillnet fishing periods based on achievement of gear allocation instead of a fixed seasonal fishing period ratio.



***Togiak (2 proposals): 75, 77***

- 75 Reduce the amount of time that certain waters in the Togiak District are closed to commercial fishing for salmon with a drift gillnet.
- 77 Change the Togiak District Salmon Management Plan to reflect recent department escapement goal changes, and remove coho and king salmon goals.

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE - GROUP 4: SUBSISTENCE, SPORT, COMMERCIAL HERRING**  
**(12 proposals: Chair – Mumford)**

***Bristol Bay Subsistence (4 proposals): 78 – 79, 81 – 82***

Proposal Number

- 78 Change the boundaries, methods of harvest, and seasons for subsistence harvests of sockeye salmon in the Naknek River drainage.
- 79 Eliminate subsistence fishing period for the Naknek, Egegik, and Ugashik Rivers to allow subsistence salmon fishery to occur any time.
- 81 Define subsistence fishing boundaries so that the 10 fathom net restriction applies to Dillingham beaches and the 25 fathom net length restriction applies elsewhere, and remove reference to department regulatory markers.
- 82 Establish and adopt amounts reasonably necessary for subsistence uses for herring spawn on kelp in waters of the Togiak District.

***Bristol Bay Sport Fisheries (5 proposals): 83 – 87***

- 83 Allow the traditional harvest of whitefish and non-salmon subsistence fish in specific waters of the Newhalen River.
- 84 Establish non-retention king salmon sport fishing in the Big Creek drainage of the Naknek River drainage.
- 85 Redefine the sport fishing boundary description for non-retention of king salmon in the Big Creek drainage.
- 86 Implement a mail-in requirement for all king salmon harvest tickets in Bristol Bay sport fisheries.
- 87 Eliminate the use of egg-simulating lures in rainbow trout fishing.

***Bristol Bay Herring (3 proposals): 88 – 90***

- 88 Change the regulatory description for herring purse seine and hand purse seine.
- 89 Delete references to sac roe in the Bristol Bay Herring Management Plan.
- 90 Change the management plan to allow the department to waive the catch allocation requirement for gillnet and purse seine fleets.